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Idaho's All Wheat Production Up from 2009

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All wheat production in Idaho is up 9 percent from 2009 to 108 million bushels. The winter wheat yield, at 82.0 bushels per acre, is up 1.0 bushel from last year. Winter wheat production totals 58.2 million bushels from 710,000 harvested acres, up 3 percent from last year's 56.7 million bushels. The 2010 winter wheat production is estimated to be 76 percent white and 24 percent hard red. Spring wheat yield, at 79.0 bushels per acre, is up 2.0 bushels from a year ago. Idaho's spring wheat production totals 48.6 million bushels from 615,000 harvested acres, up 19 percent from 2009's 40.8 million bushels. The spring wheat crop is estimated to be 50 percent white and 50 percent hard red. Yield for durum wheat is estimated to be 65.0 bushels per acre, down 16.0 bushels from last year. Durum wheat production in Idaho totals 1.30 million bushels from 20,000 harvested acres, down 320 thousand bushels from last year. Barley yield is estimated at 93.0 bushels per acre, down 2.0 bushels from last year. Barley production totals 43.7 million bushels from 470,000 harvested acres, 10 percent less than last year's production of 48.5 million bushels. Idaho's oat production totals 1.60 million bushels from 20,000 harvested acres. Production is down 18 percent from last year.

Nationally, all wheat production totalled 2.22 billion bushels in 2010, down 2 percent from the August forecast but up slightly from 2009. Grain area is 47.7 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. The U.S. yield is a record high 46.7 bushels per acre, 2.3 bushels higher than last year and 1.8 bushels higher than the previous record set in 2008. The levels of production and changes from last year by type are: winter wheat, 1.49 billion bushels, down 3 percent; other spring wheat, 627 million bushels, up 7 percent; Durum wheat, 111 million bushels, up 2 percent. Barley production is estimated at 182 million bushels, down 1 percent from the August forecast and 20 percent below 2009. Average yield per acre, at 73.6 bushels, is up 1.3 bushels from August and 0.6 bushel from last year and is the highest yield on record since estimates began in 1866. Producers seeded 2.87 million acres in 2010, down 19 percent from last year. This is the lowest planted acreage on record. Harvested area, at 2.47 million acres, is down 3 percent from the August forecast and down 21 percent from 2009, and the lowest level since 1882. Oat production is estimated at a record low 81.9 million bushels, 6 percent below the August forecast and down 12 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at a record high 64.6 bushels per acre, down 1.7 bushels from the last forecast and down 2.9 bushels from the previous year. Compared with last year, yields decreased or stayed the same for most States, with the exception of Michigan, Texas, and several states in the Northwest. Harvested area, at 1.27 million acres, is 4 percent below August and 8 percent below last year. This is the smallest acreage harvested for grain on record, continuing a steady downward trend.

Small Grains: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Idaho and U.S. 2009-2010

CROP	UNIT	HARVESTED ACREAGE		YIELD		PRODUCTION		2010 / 2009	
		2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010		
IDAHO:		Thousand Acres				Thousand Bushels		Percent	
	All Wheat	Bu.	1,250	1,345	79.3	80.4	99,130	108,105	109
	Winter Wheat	Bu.	700	710	81.0	82.0	56,700	58,220	103
	Spring Wheat	Bu.	530	615	77.0	79.0	40,810	48,585	119
	Durum Wheat	Bu.	20	20	81.0	65.0	1,620	1,300	80
	Oats	Bu.	25	20	78.0	80.0	1,950	1,600	82
	Barley	Bu.	510	470	95.0	93.0	48,450	43,710	90
UNITED STATES:									
	All Wheat	Bu.	49,893	47,657	44.5	46.7	2,218,061	2,223,523	100
	Winter Wheat	Bu.	34,510	31,749	44.2	46.8	1,524,608	1,485,236	97
	Spring Wheat	Bu.	12,955	13,379	45.1	46.9	584,411	626,937	107
	Durum Wheat	Bu.	2,428	2,529	44.9	44.0	109,042	111,350	102
	Oats	Bu.	1,379	1,268	67.5	64.6	93,081	81,855	88
	Barley	Bu.	3,113	2,471	73.0	73.6	227,323	181,884	80

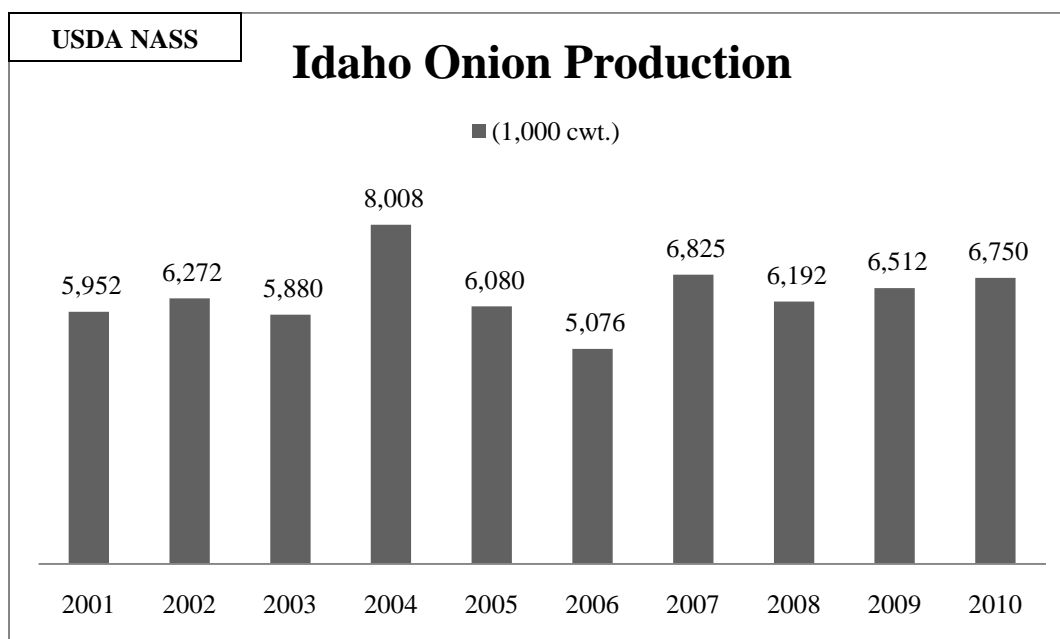
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Idaho Onion Production

Onion acreage harvested in Idaho is estimated at 9,000 acres, a 2 percent increase from last year and a 5 percent increase from 2008. Yield is estimated at 750 cwt per acre, up 1 percent from last year, and up 4 percent from 2008. Production increased 4 percent from last year to 6.75 million cwt. As of September 26, 70 percent of the state's onions had been harvested. This is ahead of the five-year average of 69 percent. Malheur County is expected to have an onion production of 7.55 million cwt, down 4 percent from last year. The yield for Malheur County is estimated at 680 cwt and acreage harvested is estimated at 11,100 acres.

Nationally, summer storage onion production is forecast at 54.7 million hundredweight (cwt), down 5 percent from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 104,470 acres, down 1 percent from 2009. The yield, at 524 cwt per acre, is down 17 cwt from last year. In California, harvest was behind schedule due to cool and wet weather during the growing season. Colorado growers reported some hail damage during the growing season. In Michigan, onion fields began to emerge during early May. As of June 1st, onions were progressing well despite some frost damage reported during the early part of May. New York onion grower's fields experienced excessive moisture during the early part of the year, then drier conditions later in the season. Oregon onion growers reported a cool and wet spring. Washington's harvest was two weeks behind schedule due to wet conditions during the growing season. Wisconsin onion growers reported poor growing conditions due to excessive rainfall throughout the State.



September 1 Grain Stocks

Idaho's September 1 wheat stocks in all positions totaled 91.1 million bushels, up 17 percent from the 77.8 million bushels in storage September 1, 2009. On-farm storage of 48.0 million bushels is up 33 percent from the 36.0 million bushels in storage a year ago. Off-farm stocks, of 43.1 million bushels, are up 3 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions September 1 totaled 48.7 million bushels, down slightly from last year's 48.8 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 27.0 million bushels, down 7 percent from a year ago when 29.0 million bushels were in storage. Off-farm stocks totaled 21.7 million bushels, up 9 percent from 2009's 19.8 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat stocks in all positions September 1, 2010, totaled 2.46 billion bushels, up 11 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 826 million bushels, down 1 percent from last September. Off-farm stocks, at 1.63 billion bushels, are up 19 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions on September 1, 2010, totaled 225 million bushels, down 6 percent from September 1, 2009. On-farm stocks are estimated at 127 million bushels, 18 percent below a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 98.4 million bushels, are 15 percent above September 2009. Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2010, totaled 117 million bushels, 9 percent below the stocks on September 1, 2009. Of the total stocks on hand, 46.8 million bushels are stored on farms, 14 percent lower than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 70.7 million bushels, 4 percent below the previous year. Corn stocks in all positions on September 1, 2010, totaled 1.71 billion bushels, up 2 percent from September 1, 2009. Of the total stocks, 485 million bushels are stored on farms, down 20 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.22 billion bushels, are up 15 percent from a year ago.

Mid-September Prices Received by Farmers

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of September showed increases for alfalfa hay, all milk, feed barley, dry edible beans, all wheat, beef cattle, and steers and heifers. Price declines were recorded for all barley, malting barley, potatoes, cows, and calves.

Nationally, the preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received in September, at 150 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 5 points (3.4 percent) from August. Producers received higher prices for corn, wheat, broilers, and milk and lower prices for lettuce, eggs, soybeans, and strawberries.

Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, September 2009 - September 2010

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		September 2009	August 2010	September 2010 ^{1/}	September 2009	August 2010	September 2010	
							Price ^{1/}	% Parity
CROPS:								
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	112.00	113.00	120.00	109.00	116.00	117.00	--
Barley, All	Bu.	5.34	4.03	3.84	4.78	3.68	3.54	35
Feed	Bu.	2.52	3.15	3.30	2.14	2.34	2.71	--
Malting	Bu.	5.67	4.06	3.85	5.32	3.92	3.82	--
Dry Beans	Cwt.	30.80	29.10	30.00	30.40	29.40	24.10	34
Potatoes ^{2/}	Cwt.	7.35	7.20	7.00	8.01	7.78	7.58	37
Fresh ^{3/}	Cwt.	5.80	9.00	--	8.77	12.79	--	--
Processing	Cwt.	7.70	6.40	--	7.88	6.17	--	--
Wheat, All	Bu.	4.84	4.83	5.67	4.48	5.44	6.02	41
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS:								
Beef Cattle ^{4/}	Cwt.	75.90	89.20	90.30	80.50	93.50	94.40	38
Cows ^{5/}	Cwt.	45.50	59.50	58.80	44.30	58.40	56.60	--
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	84.50	95.70	99.20	85.50	98.00	99.30	--
Calves	Cwt.	99.00	120.00	119.00	105.00	121.00	120.00	34
Lambs	Cwt.	95.00	121.00	--	98.10	127.00	--	--
Milk, All ^{6/}	Cwt.	12.20	15.30	15.90	13.00	16.70	17.20	37 ^{7/}

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average prices of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 7/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990 - 92 = 100	August 2009	September 2009	August 2010		September 2010 Preliminary
			Preliminary	Revised	
Prices Received	126	126	145	145	150
Prices Paid	177	176	182	182	183
Ratio ^{1/}	71	72	80	80	82

U.S. Dairy Products August 2010 Highlights

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 881 million pounds, 3.5 percent above August 2009 but 0.1 percent below July 2010.

Italian type cheese production totaled 366 million pounds, 5.9 percent above August 2009 and 0.5 percent above July 2010.

American type cheese production totaled 354 million pounds, 2.1 percent above August 2009 but 3.8 percent below July 2010.

Butter production was 102 million pounds, 0.6 percent above August 2009 but 8.4 percent below July 2010.

Dry milk powders (comparisons with August 2009)

Nonfat dry milk, human - 120 million pounds, up 12.1 percent.

Skim milk powders - 15.1 million pounds, up 41.2 percent.

Whey products (comparisons with August 2009)

Dry whey, total - 81.9 million pounds, down 0.8 percent.

Lactose, human and animal - 78.7 million pounds, up 26.7 percent.

Whey protein concentrate, total - 35.3 million pounds, up 0.1 percent.

Frozen products (comparisons with August 2009)

Ice cream, regular (hard) - 76.5 million gallons, down 3.5 percent.

Ice cream, lowfat (total) - 40.2 million gallons, up 11.2 percent.

Sherbet (hard) - 3.75 million gallons, down 12.0 percent.

Frozen yogurt (total) - 6.46 million gallons, down 11.7 percent.

U.S. Hog Inventory Down 3 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2010 was 65.0 million head. This was down 3 percent from September 1, 2009 but up 1 percent from June 1, 2010.

Breeding inventory, at 5.77 million head, was down 2 percent from last year and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 59.2 million head, was down 3 percent from last year but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2010 pig crop, at 28.5 million head, was down 1 percent from 2009 and down 3 percent from 2008. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.91 million head, down 2 percent from 2009 and down 6 percent from 2008. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.81 for the June-August 2010 period, compared to 9.70 last year. The litter rate equaled the record for pigs saved per litter set during the March-May 2010 period. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.80 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.90 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.